Schemes/Programmes for Sportsmen in Assam

1187. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes and programmes formulated and implemented by Government to encourage young sportsmen in Assam;

(b) the details of funds allocated and released for the same during the last three years; and

(c) the details of sports persons benefited so far, by implementing these schemes in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI P. RADHA KRISHNAN): (a) Government is implementing following schemes to encourage the sportsmen in the Country including in the state of Assam:

(i) Promotion of Sports and Games in Schools

(ii) Sports Scholarship Scheme

(iii) Rural Sports Programme

(iv) Assisting Promising Sportspersons and Supporting personnel

(v) Incentive for Promotion of Sports Activities

(vi) Grants for Creating of Sports Infrastructure

(vii) Grants to Rural Schools

(viii) Promotion of Sports Universities & Colleges

(ix) Installation of Synthetic Surfaces

(x) National Welfare Fund for Sportspersons

(xi) Sports fund for Pension to Meritorious Sportspersons

(xii) Special Awards to the Winners of International Sports Events and Their Coaches

(xiii) Arjuna Award

(xiv) Dronacharya Award

(xv) Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award

(xvi) Dhyan Chand Award for Life Time achievement

Besides, the Sports Authority of India (SAI) is implementing the following sports promotional schemes in the State of Assam:

1. National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC)

2. SAI Training Centre (STC)

(b) Funds are not allocated State-wise. Financial assistance is provided to any state on receipt of viable proposal from it. However, following financial assistance was released to Assam during the last 3 years under the schemes of Incentives for Promotion of Sports and Games in Schools, Promotion of Sports in Universities & Colleges and Installation of Synthetic Surfaces:

1999-2000	Rs. 25,84,800/-
2000-2001	Rs. 45,16,500/-
2001-2002	Rs. 79,21,100/-

Besides, sports Authority of India has also released following grants under the scheme of STC and NSTC and to Don Bosco H.S., Guwahati:

(Rs. In Lakhs)

Scheme	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002
STC	13.30	19.94	36.93
NSTC	07.84	08.83	08.24
Don Bosco	00.13	00.53	00.32

(c) The details of sports persons benefited so far are as under:

S. No.	Year	Name of the Centre				Total
		Guwahati		Golaghat		
		STC	NSTC	STC	NSTC	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	1988	27	—	—	—	027
2.	1989	20	—	—	—	020
3.	1990	26	—	—	—	026
4.	1991	29	—	—	—	029
5.	1992	23	15	21	10	069
6.	1993	29	17	28	12	086
7.	1994	32	18	35	31	116
8.	1995	47	20	38	31	133
9.	1996	41	19	41	30	131
10.	1997	34	22	61	18	135
11.	1998	26	25	59	*	110
12.	1999	73	24	70		167
13.	2000	144	28	71		243
14.	2001	149	23	54		226
15.	2002	152	20	41		213
	G .TOTAL	852	231	519	12	1731

Training to Skilled Sportsmen of Backward Regions

1188. SHRI S.S. CHANDRAN: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the Special Skilled Sportsmen belonging to backward regions of our country;

(b) if so, whether Government are considering to provide special training